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## TO THE DELEGATES.

To-morrow the Republican county convention will meet to put a ticket before the people. That ticket will be taken as a representation of Washoe county Republicanism, and endorsed or repudiated upon that idea. The delegates who will assemble are all worthy men and good citizens. They know what Republicanism means, and can therefore realize the importance of strengthening the State ticket by suitable nominations. Every good Republican shudders at the idea of turning over the control of Congress to the Democracy. If you nominate a ticket which needs apologies, you will find that it will inevitably harm more important nominations. You have plenty of honest Republicans in Washoe. Select the strongest men. Demand that they show clear records and declare themselves unmistakably with the people on every important issue. You cannot afford to consider persons when you want the triumph of principles. A strong State ticket cannot be expected to carry a weak county ticket which excites local opposition. There is no reason for nominating weakness, when you have strength at command. There is no sense in forcing good Republicans to apologize when you can furnish them a ticket to be proud of.

If county conventions neglect their duty and try to pout every whining candidate with nominations, the party will be beaten. If the convention consult the party interests and the principles involved, a brilliant victory will follow. Take your choice, gentlemen, and remember if a defeat follows your work of to-morrow you are accountable to the party for such action.

## A RAILROAD MAN.

Certain enemies of Hon. Wm. Thompson are circulating the report that, as a candidate for State Senator, he is a railroad man. This is simply wilfully and infamously false. Mr. Thompson is his own master and always has been. It is impossible to predict that the railroad companies will not oppose Mr. Thompson; and his slanderers know it. We risk nothing in saying that assertions to the effect that any compact of any sort exists between Mr. Thompson and any corporation, are entirely untrue and unfounded in fact. All this was unnecessary to say, and we feel as though we insulted public intelligence in paying attention to such transparent tricks. We ask the people who made the popular assessment upon railroad property in this county? Who fought your battle, voters, and won it, the first and greatest battle ever fought in this State against railroad power? Who maintained his position after the easy-going ones had forsaken him? Wm. Thompson did this work, and in reward you elected him to the State Senate. Did he betray your trust? Certainly not. Instead he left a record which defies discussion, and the war which is now made against him results from that very railroad fight. Thompson won the fight, while these men wanted to compromise, and they have fought him ever since. They are now trading for railroad influence to help the ring, and want to saddle their offenses upon Thompson. Who is the railroad man, then? Read the plain record and you will not be in doubt.

## WHAT THEY SAY.

The ring and slate crowd have now reached this platform. They say: "Remember, you delegates, if you attempt to change things in this county, there is an election coming." What does that mean, gentlemen? It means coercion. It means a threat that unless you support the court-house slate, all the gigantic ring influence, which was beaten at the polls recently, will be arrayed against your nominees. How will the other side of the case be, however. If the convention of the Republican party declares that we cannot find nominees whose above suspicion, how will the ticket stand before the people? Contrast this threat with the certainty.

## THE RIGHT VIEW.

Said a delegate this morning, "I have one friend whom I should like to see nominated on a good Republican ticket. If, however, certain weak men whose records are not clear, are placed upon the ticket, I shall rise and withdraw my friend's name from the canvass. I know he is worthy, but he shall not spend his money to bail a sinking ship." Who are those weak men of whom this man spoke?

## EDITORIAL NOTES.

The court-house ring are quite sure that the GAZETTE's opposition will react in their favor. They show their confidence in this view of the situation by getting wild with rage whenever the word GAZETTE is uttered in their hearing. It won't do Messrs. ringsters. If the GAZETTE's opposition helps you, so will the adverse reports of two grand juries. Put that fact in your political pipe and smoke it with pleasure, if you can.

The most attractive characteristic of the old court-house ring is its impudence. Most men in the situation of the persons composing the syndicate would feel like retiring to private life and hiding their heads instead of asking the Republican party to stagger under their weight in the coming election. Cheek is a good thing in its way, but Washoe is being treated to a little too much of it just about this time.

The court-house ring must be fired out. The Republican party has no use for men who rest under grave charges. There are plenty of good citizens to be had for the asking to fill the lucrative offices now unworthily filled by these badly besmirched persons. The race for success is going to be a lively one in Washoe this fall, and the Republican party must not handicap itself with any dead weight.

The Court House ringsters are working tooth and nail to bag votes in the convention. It won't do. Any delegate who would cast a vote for one of these men would be so doing express his opinion that two Grand Juries lied. Men who are afraid of investigation are not men who should be on a Republican ticket.

If the county convention which meets to-morrow proves so blind to the interests of the Republican party of Washoe as to re-nominate a single one of the court-house ring, it will be merely handing over an office to the Democrats. The people won't vote for men of that strength a second time.

## CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

The New Hampshire Prohibitionists have called a State convention, to meet at Nashua, Oct. 15.

The President arrived at Washington on the 25th from his western trip.

Hungarian radicals protest against the occupation of Bosnia.

By the occupation of Swarnik, the Austrians have virtually completed the pacification of Bosnia.

Mrs. Thompson, widow of the late postmaster of Memphis, has been appointed postmaster of that city.

The Vienna Neue Frei Press reports that Minister Layard demands the cession of Trebizonde and British control over the law Courts in Asia Minor, and that the Sultan resists the demands.

Eugene O'Connor, of Sutter county, was instantly killed yesterday, near Yuba City, by the overturning of a load of hay upon which he was riding.

E. A. Cronin, of Electoral College notoriety, is lying at the point of death at Portland, Oregon.

It is said that Austin, the late San Francisco Tax Collector gave some of his bondsmen either money or security for their liability on his bond.

By an explosion of gunpowder at the mouth of St. Gothard tunnel, in Switzerland, on the 25th, ten men were killed and others injured.

Hon. Ellis Spear, Commissioner of Patents, has tendered his resignation to Secretary Schurz.

Dr. Woolworth of Washington, Chief of the Marine Hospital Service, is organizing a commission to enquire into the yellow fever epidemic. The expenses will be paid by subscriptions.

At Lebanon, Ind., on the 25th, \$40,000 damage was done by a wind storm. The American, English and French Cabinets are said to be drawing up a convention in regard to the New Foundland fisheries.

The presence of Italian volunteers on the Austrian frontier is authoritatively denied.

## CLERICAL SCOUNDRELS.

A Highly Moral Journal Preaches Concerning Them.

New England appears to have rather more than her share of the too prevalent clerical scandals. The last cases are those of Elder Gray, of Lawrence, Massachusetts, and Rev. Mr. Hayden, of Connecticut. They are both hard cases, and excite our special wonder that men of such character should be recognized and revered as ministers of the Gospel. Gray, a man of 55 years and possessed of considerable property, last year led astray a young German girl in his employ, who brought suit against him; but he induced her to withdraw it by the payment of \$2000. And now, on his sick wife's complaint, he is arrested at midnight in the chamber of a young married woman, also in his employ. The other case, even worse, is that of Rev. H. H. Hayden of North Madison, Connecticut, under indictment for the murder of Mary E. Stannard, a young and beautiful girl, who had been a domestic in his family, and, as she told her sister, had been criminally

treated by him one evening during his wife's absence. His relations with the girl seem to have been strongly suspected on the marked attentions he continued to pay her; but he was suffered to perform his clerical functions as usual until the finding of her dead body near the place where she had said she had an appointment to meet him shortly after the time named by him. The same negligence on the part of the religious society was apparent in the other case. The suit brought against Elder Gray seems not to have interfered with his preaching in the least. So also in the case of Bishop McCoskey of Michigan, recently deposed; he continued for years after his betrayal of the young orphan girl placed in his charge, to perform the responsible duties of his office to apparent acceptance. The suggestion may be worth considering, that the clergy, instead of planning to introduce God into the State and United States Constitutions, and to prevent healthful recreation on Sunday, should, if possible, devise some plan for introducing a higher standard of moral rectitude into their own body, and for preventing the occasion of so much scandal from clerical amours and pious defaulters.

## NEW JERSEY'S NEW GHOST.

A Dead Mother Comes Back to Care for Her Baby.

[N. Y. Star.] A ghost has been traveling through Jersey, and has been seen by a number of people residing in the vicinity of Summit, near a place called "Bill Gannon's Dog Nest." The place has been settled by a number of railroad laborers and their families, who are superstitious to an extreme degree.

The ghost has not been noticed to have in its possession a valise, or supposition might arise that it was the disembodied spirit of some defaulting bank cashier or recalcitrant lightning rod or sewing machine agent. Once upon a time, not many years ago—as they say in the story books—one John Pheasant married a Summit girl named Sarah Stapleton. In due course of time a little Pheasant appeared. This youngster proved a bird in omen. On her death bed Mrs. P. made the paternal P. promise that his life would be devoted to the care and education of the boy. He took off his hat raised up his right hand and swore.

After his wife died, though, Pheasant married again, and one night last week the husband and wife went to a dance, leaving the child in bed. It yelled so loudly that it awoke a neighbor. He looked toward the house and saw it brilliantly lighted. He called a couple of friends and they proceeded toward the Pheasant mansion, but when they arrived there the lights had disappeared. When the two Pheasants arrived home, they found the chuckling under the bed of the second floor, whereas they had left it in a cradle on the first. When Mrs. P. No. 1 died she left among other things a wedding shawl. This had been locked up in a trunk, of which "Jack" had the key in his pocket. When he found Jack, Jr., he was wrapped up in this shawl. He found the doors all locked on his return from the dance. This is the material out of which the good gossips of Summit are manufacturing a first-class ghost story.

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